

## Notes regarding the key figures based on the SME-definition applied by the IfM Bonn for Germany

1. All figures relate to the commercial business economy and the liberal professions (NACE Rev. 2 Codes A-N,P-S). Exceptions are marked.
2. Figures provided by the business register (NACE Rev. 2 Codes B-N,P-S). Differentiation of SMEs by number of employees and turnover.
3. Figures provided by the turnover tax statistics (VAT). Differentiation of SMEs by turnover.
4. Figures provided by the employment statistics for establishments (local units). Differentiation of small- and medium-sized establishments by number of employees.
5. Apprentices who pass apprenticeship training (based on a vocational training contract under the Vocational Training Act) in an officially recognized training occupation.
6. Figures provided by the microcensus (NACE Rev. 2 Codes A-U).
7. Figures provided by the Institute on Liberal Professions (IFB) Nuremberg based on data from professional organizations and estimates based on the microcensus.
8. Self-employment rate: ratio of self-employed individuals to labor force.
9. Figures provided by the microcensus (NACE Rev. 2 Codes B-U).
10. Estimates by the IfM Bonn. Basic data: turnover tax statistics (VAT). Differentiation of SMEs by turnover.

